

### REMARKS

Reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the foregoing amendments is respectfully requested.

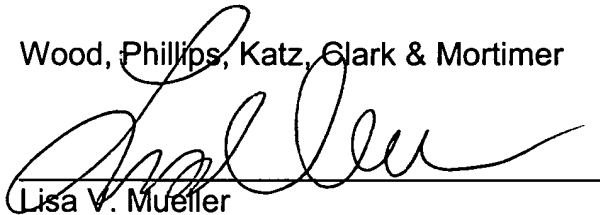
Claims 1-16, 20, 23-33, 35 and 37-39 have been deleted. Claims 17-19, 21-22, 34 and 36 are pending and are believed to be in condition for allowance.

Also enclosed is a Revocation of Power of Attorney with New power of Attorney and a Change of Correspondence Address signed by Robert DeBerardine, who has authority on behalf of the Assignee of the above-identified application, Abbott Laboratories, Inc., to execute such a paper.

If any additional fees are incurred as a result of the filing of this paper, authorization is given to charge deposit account no. 23-0785.

Respectfully submitted,

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A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Lisa V. Mueller', is written over a horizontal line.

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